NEWPORT BEACH HARBOR COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Council Chambers Wednesday, September 12, 2012 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2) ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Brad Avery

Paul Blank
David Girling
Duncan McIntosh
Karen Rhyne

Absent: Ralph Rodheim

Doug West

Staff Members: Chris Miller, Harbor Resources Manager

Shannon Levin, Harbor Resources Supervisor

Council Liaison: Mayor Nancy Gardner

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Rhyne

4) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Interested parties were invited to address the Commission on agenda and non-agenda items.

Len Bose, Huntington Beach, reported that he has been invited to the Coastal Bay Water Quality Committee to speak in regards to marine recycling centers, September 13, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. in the Fire Conference Room, and he invited members of the Commission to attend.

There being no others wishing to address the Commission, the public comments portion of the meeting was closed.

5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from August 8, 2012 (Study Session and Regular Meeting)

Brief discussion followed regarding a correction to page 5 of the regular meeting minutes to include the related resolution in the motion regarding adoption of objective number 1.

Motion: Commissioner Rhyne made a motion to approve the minutes of the Harbor Commission regular meeting of August 8, 2012, as amended. Commissioner Blank seconded the motion, which carried with 5 ayes, 2 absent (Rodheim and West). Approved.

Motion: Commissioner Avery made a motion to approve the minutes of the Harbor Commission study session meeting of August 8, 2012, as submitted. Commissioner Rhyne seconded the motion, which carried with 5 ayes, 2 absent (Rodheim and West). Approved.

6) CURRENT BUSINESS

A. Final Approval of Harbor Commission Objectives for Fiscal Year 2012-13

The Harbor Commission will approve the Commission's Objectives for 2012-13 based on the input received at the August meeting.

Recommendation:

- 1. Approve the Harbor Commission objectives for fiscal year 2012-13; and
- 2. Approve the assignment of Commissioners to each of the Objectives; and
- 3. Approve the assignment of Commissioners to a respective Council Member for Harbor Commission/City Council coordination throughout the 2012-13 year.

Commissioner McIntosh noted that the sub-committee met twice to review the objectives and input obtained from the previous study session. The intent is to present the objectives to Council within a larger context of the State of the Harbor.

Interested parties were invited to address the Commission on this item. There was no response and public comments for this item were closed.

Motion: Commissioner Rhyne made a motion to approve the Harbor Commission objectives for fiscal year 2012-2013. Commissioner Girling seconded the motion, which carried with 5 ayes, 2 absent (Rodheim and West). Approved.

Assignment of Commissioners to each of the Objectives was presented and reviewed.

Interested parties were invited to address the Commission on this item. There was no response and public comments for this item were closed.

Motion: Commissioner Girling made a motion to approve the assignment of Commissioners to each of the Objectives. Commissioner Blank seconded the motion, which carried with 5 ayes, 2 absent (Rodheim and West). Approved.

It was noted that the sub-committee assigned the various Commissioners to a respective Council Member for coordination between the Harbor Commission and City Council throughout the 2012-13 year. The list was presented and reviewed.

Interested parties were invited to address the Commission on this item. There was no response and public comments for this item were closed.

Motion: Commissioner Rhyne made a motion to approve the assignment of Commissioners to a respective Council Member for Harbor Commission/City Council coordination throughout the 2012-13 year. Commissioner Girling seconded the motion, which carried with 5 ayes, 2 absent (Rodheim and West). Approved.

7) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS - None

8) QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS WITH COUNCIL LIAISON ON HARBOR RELATED ISSUES

Mayor Gardner reported on a recent Tidelands Management Committee where the recommendations of the Harbor Commission were reviewed regarding the objectives. These were accepted and the efforts of the Harbor Commission were acknowledged.

She reported that Council Member Daigle wants the Harbor Commission to review the idea of creating lanes marked by buoys, for stand-up paddlers. She noted the possibility of an opportunity for those who rent and/or sell boards to communicate the issue to visitors. She added that fees for commercial marinas will be discussed this evening by Council.

9) HARBOR RESOURCES UPDATE – Receive and File

Harbor Resources Manager Chris Miller presented an update on the Harbor dredging project including areas completed and in process. He reported that Phase 2 will be starting soon and addressed the challenges and complications of the project. Mr. Miller reported approval of amendment number 3 with the Port of Long Beach, allowing the City to extend the deadline to deliver 1,200 cubic yards, to October 12, 2012. He pointed out the details for overcoming the challenges which are currently being worked out.

Mr. Miller reported on areas to be completed in the next phase including the Newport Harbor Yacht Club.

Discussion followed regarding the 1,200 cubic yards for delivery by October 12, 2012, the total cubic yards delivered to the Port of Long Beach and the related savings obtained.

Mr. Miller reported that the project will bring the Harbor down to safe navigation depths and will get rid of all of the shoaling. He also addressed areas that did not need dredging. He noted that most of the Harbor will be at a MLLW of -10 feet.

Interested parties were invited to address the Commission. There was no response and public comments for this item were closed.

10) PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS OR HARBOR RESOURCES UPDATE - None

11) COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MATTERS WHICH MEMBERS WOULD LIKE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION, ACTION OR REPORT (NON-DISCUSSION ITEM)

Commissioner McIntosh reported that the launch ramp in Newport Harbor was closed on Labor Day weekend for a concert. Staff was directed to address standards that must be provided to the boating community by the Dunes and a request was made to include the issue in a future agenda. Staff will follow-up with the Community Development Department.

Discussion followed regarding the possibility of including the boating permit process to address boats that are tied together and playing loud music in the anchorage area. Staff is following up on the issue with the Harbor Patrol.

12) DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, October 10, 2012

13) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Harbor Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.